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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **HAMADA, Akira et al.**

Serial No.: **09/998,912**

**ATTN: BOX MISSING PARTS**

Filed: **December 3, 2001**

Group Art Unit: **1745**

FOR: **GAS DIFFUSION LAYER FOR FUEL CELL AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF THE SAME**

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

**Commissioner for Patents**  
**Washington, D.C. 20231**

February 12, 2002

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated December 14, 2001, enclosed for filing is an Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application.

Also enclosed is our check in the amount of **\$1,150.00**, for the government filing fee of **\$740.00**, **\$280.00** for multiple dependent claims and the surcharge fee of **\$130.00** for filing the late Declaration. In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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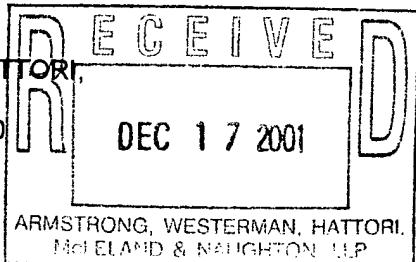
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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

***Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$280.
  - \$280 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1150.

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